

Help **Stop** the Invasion!

Learn more about the Asian Carp issue and share it with your friends.

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STOP The Invasion!



Asian Carp
are a huge threat
to Indiana fish
populations and
human safety.

**Do Your Part
to Help!**



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Why You Should Care



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Asian Carp often
jump out of the water
when disturbed by
boat motors, causing
damage to boats and
potentially harming
passengers.

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Reduced Game Fish Populations

Asian Carp reduce your chances
of catching your favorite game
fish because their explosive
population growth reduces the
number and health of other fish.

Eat Other Fish Out of House and Home

Asian Carp eat plankton —
LOTS of it! An adult fish can eat
up to 40% of its body weight
every day. This reduces the amount of food available for other aquatic critters in
the food chain. Over time, Asian Carp can almost completely displace other, more
desirable species.



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Know Your Enemy

Silver Carp

Up to **3 feet** in length and can weigh up to **60 pounds**.

These are the carp that jump.

Light silver with white belly, eyes sit *below* the mouth.



3 Ft.

Bighead Carp

Up to **5 feet** in length and can weigh up to **100 pounds**.

Adults are dark grey with dark blotches.

Very large head, eyes sit *below* the mouth.



5 Ft.

How You Can Help

Wanted Dead!



It is illegal to release an Asian Carp back into the water if you catch one or if one jumps into your boat. Eat it (they can be quite good), put it in the trash, or use it as cut bait.

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Never release fish caught from one body of water into another body of water.



Drain your live wells and bilges before leaving the lake or river. Asian Carp eggs might be floating in the water.

Put unused live bait in the trash—don't dump it into the lake or river. Young Asian Carp look very similar to other common baitfish and they might already have invaded your bait bucket.



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Silver Carp (Asian)



Gizzard Shad (Native)



Bighead Carp (Asian)



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